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Commissioner for Patents
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RE: APPLICATION OF JOHS ET AL. TITLED "ELLIPSOMETRIC
INVESTIGATION OF THIN FILMS;
SERIAL NO: 10/765,732;
FILE DATE: 01/27/04;
ART UNIT: 2877;
EXAMINER: DETSCHEL, M.

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of an Action dated 06/01/06 regarding the identified Application.

The Examiner has identified that a Patent indicated as 5,484,701 should be 5,486,701. Applicant agrees. The Examiner has also identified problems with Figures 1, 2, 9 and 10, and to a lesser extent with Figs. 5 - 8. Further the Examiner has identified problems with the Specification, noted that two Original Claims were numbered 11, and directed an approach to correcting the mistake. Applicant has re-numbered the Claims as suggested by the Examiner. The Examiner has Allowed Claims 14-18, objected to Claims 10 and 11, and rejected Claims 1-9, 12 and 13 in view of Patents 5,900,633 to Solomon et al., 6,605,512 to Kiyota and 6,278,519 to Rosencwaig et al.

In response Applicant provides the following Amendments.